

OLD NEWBERRY DISTRICT LINEAGE CHART

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(Your father)
 LEE HAROLD WITT
 Born 23 FEB 1905
 Where DRANGEBURG COUNTY, SC
 When married 9 JUN 1929
 Where CAMERON, SC
 Died 27 SEP 1949
 Where SWANSEA, SC

1 DAVID HAMPTON WITT
 Born 3 JUL 1930
 Where SWANSEA, SC
 When married 7 JUN 1952 (JOHNNIE LEE SMITH)
 Where RIDGELAND, SC
 Died
 Where

(Your mother)
 THELMA CROOK
 Born 10 JUN 1905
 Where CAMERON, SC
 Died 2 MAR 1981
 Where WEST COLUMBIA, SC

Date:
 + Confederate
 * Rev War
 b. Born
 d. Died
 m. Married
 bur. Buried
 cem. Cemetery

(Paternal grandfather)
 4 LEE HAMPTON WITT
 Born 22 AUG 1875
 Where WITT'S MILL, SC
 When married 24 DEC 1903
 Where SANDY RUN, SC
 Died 28 OCT 1953
 Where SWANSEA, SC

(Paternal grandmother)
 5 MARY HARRIET WANNAMAKER
 Born 14 SEP 1878
 Where SANDY RUN
 Died 24 JUN 1968
 Where LEXINGTON, SC

(Maternal grandfather)
 12 DAVID WELBORN CROOK
 Born 3 DEC 1846
 Where
 Mar. 24 OCT 1867
 Died 13 AUG 1908
 Where

(Maternal grandmother)
 14 HAYNE CLARENCE HODGER HAIGLER
 Born 28 SEP 1849
 Where
 Mar. 18 JAN 1881
 Died 30 MAR 1917
 Where

(Great-grandparents)
 8 WILLIAM PAUL WITT
 Born 4 MAR 1835
 Where
 Mar. 8 APR 1859
 Died 4 MAR 1890
 Where

9 THURSA ELIZABETH LIVINGSTON
 Born 19 OCT 1844
 Where
 Died 2 JAN 1898
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10 *PT. JACOB CHRISTIAN HABINET WANNAMAKER
 Born 18 JAN 1832
 Where
 Mar. 21 JUN 1878
 Died 1 MAY 1900
 Where

11 MINERVA ANN DRUSILLA ROBINSON
 Born 12 JAN 1844
 Where
 Died 19 APR 1918
 Where SWANSEA, SC

13 MARY ANN C. HAIGLER
 Born 27 MAY 1847
 Where DRANGEBURG DIST.
 Died 30 OCT 1929
 Where CAMERON, SC

15 TALLULA M. RAST
 Born 13 MAR 1847
 Where
 Died 3 OCT 1927
 Where

16 MICHAEL WITT, SR.
 b. 25 FEB 1773
 d. 10 AUG 1839
 bur. WITT-WATTS CEM. ANNEAUX, SC

17 MARY MATILDA BANKS (2d W)
 b. 20 MAY 1806
 d. 19 MAY 1897

18 FREDERICK LIVINGSTON
 b. 3 AUG 1797
 d. 11 MAR 1857
 m. 11 NOV 1829

19 ISABELLA KING (2d W)
 b. 21 JAN 1808
 d. 25 JUN 1892

20 DAVID WANNAMAKER
 b. 1750 d. 1795

21 HARRIET CULCLASURE (2d W)
 b. 4 FEB 1806
 d. SEP 1870

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24 REV. JOHN DAVID WEAVER CROOK
 b. 16 OCT 1820
 d. 1 MAY 1866
 bur. TRINITY LUT. CEM. EDWARDS, SC

25 MARY ANN LIVINGSTON
 b.
 d. 7 JUL 1879

26 JESSE NEWELL HAIGLER
 b. 13 SEP 1819
 d. 25 DEC 1881

27 FRANCHI CAROLINE DANIELER
 b. 17 AUG 1825
 d. 21 APR 1897

28 JOHN LEWIS HAIGLER
 b. 27 FEB 1809
 d. 20 NOV 1855

29 MARY BARBARA HODGER
 b. 15 JUN 1811
 d. 6 JUN 1888

30 REV. LEWIS NESLEY RAST
 b. 1823

31 SARAH LARG
 b. 1850

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36 *PT. JOHN LIVINGSTON (NEWBERRY)
 S.C. MALDEN (WATERS RD)
 b. 18 DEC 1764 d. 11 DEC 1823

37 MARY ISABELLA HIPP
 b. 23 AUG 1764 d. 29 MAR 1829
 m. 25 NOV 1783

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40 *1LT. JACOB WANNAMAKER
 b. 1750 d. 1795

41 ANN RUMPH
 b. 26 AUG 1750

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48 JOHN CROOK
 b. 24 JAN 1796 d. 29 JAN 1838

49 ANN
 b. d. 24 OCT 1846

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52 JOHN HENRY HAIGLER
 b. 26 DEC 1772 d. 22 DEC 1857

53 MARY CATHERINE GATES
 b. 4 AUG 1778 d. 25 SEP 1842

54 PETER DANIELER
 b. 17 AUG 1825
 d. 21 APR 1897

55 SOPHIA HOUSER
 b. 1797 d. 11 JUN 1843

56 ADAM HAIGLER II
 b. 1797 d. 11 JUN 1843

57 ROSINA

58 HENRY HODGER

59 DOROTHY SWELL

60 JACOB RAST
 b. 1797

61 MARTHA DANIELER
 b. 1797

62 REV. JOHN LARG

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71 MARTIN LUTHER LIVINGSTON
 b. 1749 BADEN, GFR.
 d. 1785 NEWBERRY

72 SARA HIPP

73 JOHN HIPP

74 EUSANNON SUMNER DE NEWBERRY, SC.

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80 JACOB WANNAMAKER, FROM PALATKATE 1732
 ANN CATHERINE SNULER
 RHODELAND

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 MARY ANN CATHERINE MILLER

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January 17, 1996

Memo for Dr. Peeples

From: Dave Witt

Subject: Service during Revolution by Adrian Witt (Whitt)

1. Based on the attached article written by a man in Lexington County who has some history credibility, was Adrian Witt a loyalist or a patriot? Or, both?

2. Where are other places I could confirm him as Revolutionary veteran? Say for SAR or DAR proof?

3 If you want to discuss, give me a call at 686-3283.

Thanks


Swygert, Michael	Private	Died of disease in Charleston 1863.
Shealy, Samuel D.	Private	
Stephenson, Joseph	Private	
Shier, John	Private	
Seay, Daniel	Private	Captured and never heard from.
Senn, J. Lorick	Private	
Senn, Levi E.	Private	
Senn, A. Cephas	Private	Killed at Cold Harbor
Taylor, Joel A.	Private	
Taylor, Emmanuel	Private	
Unger, Dr. Henry F.	Private	Wounded Hawe's Shop
Unger, Patrick D.	Private	
Unger, John J.	Private	Died of wounds at Trevillian Station
Wessinger, Luther	Private	
Wingard, Thomas A.	Private	
Wingard, Simon P.	Private	
Wingard, G. Jacob	Private	
Wyse, John H.	Private	
Wyse, Henry I.	Private	

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TWILIGHT OF BRITISH RULE DURING THE REVOLUTION
 By Clayton B. Kleckley

PART I

Saxe Gotha and the Dutch Fork area were settled mainly by Swiss and Germans who were strong Loyalists. Their communities were actively and predominantly Tory. They had no desire to identify themselves as Whigs in support of the Provincial government.

The first among the local Germans and Swiss settlers to espouse the Patriot cause was Hans Adam Summer, Sr. As early as 1776, he went among his friends and neighbors explaining the true principles involved. He asked them to forget the threats of the S. C. Royalists to revoke their land grants if they failed to give loyal support to the Crown. Many had signed an oath of allegiance which they felt was an obligation of respect. Hans Adam Summer, Sr., as an old man, asked local settlers to identify themselves as Americans and forget the oppression of the old world. He convinced many of them to be equal sharers in this struggle for American liberty. They began to fortify his mill as a meeting place. His sons began to organize and drill a

Henry Counts, Jr., and Michael Keibler (Kibler) are recorded as having served 60 days in Captain Charles Stewart Lindsay's Company, S.C. Royalists, Camden, S.C., beginning 23 Feb. 1781. Also Peter Counts, Henry Counts, Sr., Henry Counts, Jun., and Michael Keibler (Kibler) with Allern Witt (Atran Nitt), Jacob Singley, George Boyler (Bauer), and Jonathan (John) Shepherd served 61 days in Captain Charles Stewart Lindsay's Company, S.C. Royalists, beginning 24 April 1781. Peter Counts also served 61 days in Captain Lewis Kenen's Company, S.C. Royalists, Camden, S.C., from 24 April - 14 Jun 1781, and 61 days in Captain Lewis Kenen's Company, S.C. Royalists, Quarter House, S.C., beginning on 25 October 1781. It is recorded that John Livingston, Phillip Sligh, Michael Baits (Bates), George Long, John Ikleberger (Eichelburger), John Wertz (Wirts), William Stone, John Haire (Hair), Michael Recaid (Rygard), Michael Kinard, and Andrew Bower (Bauer) (died 3 Nov. 1779), were listed in Captain Martin Livingston's Company, S.C. Royalists, Savannah, Ga., 1 December 1779. Later, Michael Kinard, John Wirts, George Long, John Eichelberger (Ikleberger), Jacob Sturley (Stierley), Mathias Rhinehart (Math's Reinhard), Jacob Lagroome (Lagrone), and John Hare (Hair) were in Captain Martin Livingston's Company, S.C. Royalists, Camden, S.C., 61 days from 24 Feb. 1781.

In the book, Loyalists in the Southern Campaigns of the Revolution, many other familiar names are listed as serving in the South Carolina Royalists, such as: Jacob Counts, died 30 Oct. 1779, Matthew Gregg, George Swigert, prisoner with rebels, returned 7 Dec. 1779, Conrad Sleigh, Adam Amick, Henry Coon, prisoner, 8 Sept, 1781, Jacob Rool or Rowl, David George, John Friday, James Dailey, Adam Metz, deserted 19 Apr. 1781. Lazarus Miller, deserted 19 Apr. 1781, Christopher Shupart, prisoner with rebels, Thomas Metz, prisoner 12 Oct, 1781, John Friday, prisoner, Joshua Huffor (Huffman), Jacob Coffman, Faight Risinger, Peter Long, Peter Hoffman, Thomas Risinger, deserted 29 Apr. 1779, Martin Sharpe, deserted 29 May 1779, Christian Long, unfit, Christian Holman, sick in quarters, 1 Dec. 1779, Harmon Hoffman, with Captain York, 1 Dec. 1779, Christian Rolf (Roof), Michael Hammiter, Simen Hammiter, Andrew Coffman or Cauffman, deserted 18 June 1780, Allen Witt, William Cannon, Robert Cannon, Robert Stone, George Sligh, died 25 Apr. 1781, Adam Sigler, died 25 Apr. 1781, Frederick Singley, prisoner with rebels, Samuel Wolfe, George Hammiter, Jacob Lightsey, Martin Oxner, Adam Setzler, John Boland, John Halman, Michael Livingston, Abraham Giggar (Geiger), Michael Cromer, John Counts, died 5 Jun 1779, Peter Richard, died 9 Oct. 1779. Martin Houk (Hook), Andrew Cromer, died 7 Nov. 1779, Martin Livingston, Christian Lebrand (Lybrand), Martin Long, John Sigler, deserted 25 May 1781, Thomas Taylor, John Earhart, George Sligh, Michael Witt,

Tresniar, Benjamin Tressner, George Vallentine (Ballentine), and Gaspaer Wershing (Wessinger). A separate section of the Archives file index list John Fridig (Friday), Abraham Geige (The papers state Geiger - probably of Dutch Fork), George Harland Hartley, Koonerd Sleice (Conrad Slice), Christopher Suber, and Gottlieb Suber.

Many of the names included in the above paragraph as Loyalists, are also listed in the companies of South Carolina Royalists. These men were among the most influential Loyalists in the province of South Carolina during the final years of British Rule.

(Part II of this article will be included in the next issue of the Lexington Genealogical Exchange. It will include listings of men who served as Patriots in the South Carolina Militias. Many of these men were at times listed in companies of South Carolina Royalists.)

Note From the Editor: The preceding lists of Loyalists and Patriots are not complete lists. Because of their lengths, only the names known by Mr. Kleckley are included in this article. Janice Lee.

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Buried in the Wrong Cemetery?

I did not give much attention to my maternal ancestry for a long time. But after I had spent so much time on the Witt line I felt obligated to carry out some research on my mother's line.

The name was Crook. My mother was a Crook and my father was a Witt. So I guess I can be said to be "a half-Crook and half Witt".

There was no written genealogy of the Crooks but I was aware of a very old Bible in the family. I requested from a cousin a copy of the family data from this Bible. The information extended my line back about two or three more generations. Being an oldest grandchild in that family gave me the advantage of already knowing three generations. The Crooks were good singers and talkers but we have no evidence, to date, that their ancestry was English, Scots, or Irish; all possibilities.

I knew that my great great-grandfather had been a Methodist Circuit Rider. Do I need to explain his about this profession and how it worked? Anyway, I talked to my relatives, took pictures of my great grandfather's house which was still standing in good condition. I remembered family reunions at the place when I was a child. Then I asked my closest relatives where the family was buried. We went to the local cemetery and photographed all the stones and markers. This filled in my memory on the great aunts and uncles. Beyond that generation all I got was an evasive comment or that they were buried in Ellore.

Ellore is a small town near the I-95 exit at Santee, SC. Santee as you may know has a golf course, retirement community and discount mall. Somewhat familiar with that place because my mother-in-law was born there I was aware of one cemetery. It seemed logical that I should begin looking at Methodist cemeteries because Rev. John David Weaver Crook was a preacher.

We visited the very old Jerusalem Methodist Church with adjacent cemetery but found no Crooks. There were no more Methodist churches in this area. Next we visited a large community cemetery along SC Route 6. We found no Crooks. There were other small cemeteries in fields and along public roads which we checked out - no Crooks. I was beginning to believe my relatives

were crooks and did not want to be found! By this time my grandfather Crook had been dead for years and so had his 11 his brothers and sisters.

Sometime as most of you know, you have to take what you know and go from there. South Carolina public and church records revealed a lot about Rev. Crook. He had received the call and entered the ministry at age 22. He married Mary Ann Livingston in 1844. They had 6 children, two of which survived to adulthood. He was admitted to the South Carolina Methodist Conference on trial in 1851. He served in the Savannah River Mission for 6 years (believed to be in the Bluffton-Hardeeville area) and then went to Walterboro Circuit. Two children who died while serving in the Low County are listed as buried at the Savannah River Mission Parsonage. Our search over the past five years has not found their graves.

My great great-grandfather is also listed as a surveyor and went from the Low Country to preach in the Santee Community and Orangeburg District. He served the historic White House Methodist Church on US301 and a church near Vance, SC, named Gerizim. He died in 1866 at the age of 45 in the Ellore community. His brother, William Kirkland Crook, had a large plantation in the Cameron community of Calhoun County about 15 miles away and my grandfather told me their family land came from their great uncle. Some of my cousins live there today and I have a picture of the house.

Where were Rev. John David Weaver Crook and his wife buried? Preachers are not usually buried in unmarked graves. We had looked in the obvious places. Then, someone told us there was another old cemetery near a rack track outside of Ellore. As mayor of Cameron, SC, I had a picture of my grandfather, David Jesse Crook, riding a handsome stallion in a parade for some special occasion on the Ellore Race Track (of course not identified on the photo). Was that a possible grave site?

Johnnie Lee while visiting Ellore as a child remembered the cemetery so we set out one day and found a Trinity Lutheran Cemetery. The church building had long since disappeared but there was a wall around the place and a nice arched iron gate with the name above. We went inside and found an impressive marker for great great-grandfather, Rev. John David Weaver Crook. Great find!

It was inscribed: "In memory of John David Weaver Crook of the South Carolina Conference of the METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH,

who died May 1st, 1866 aged 45 years and 3 months and 15 days. He was a devoted Christian, a zealous and useful minister, having been for 16 years a member of the Conference in which he shared the confidence and affection of his brethren. Servant of God well done. Rest from thy loved employ. The battle fought the victory won. Enter thy Master's Joy."

Next to his marker was one for his wife which was interesting. Her given name appears no where on the marker. It reads; "Sacred to the memory of Mrs. J. D. W. Crook, Mother of D. W. and W. K. Crook who died July 7th, 1879. Her's was a life of purity and solemn devotion. She now rests in Heaven."

How did this happen a Methodist Circuit Rider buried in a sacred Lutheran place? After some investigation it was revealed that there was a Methodist congregation named Jerusalem. A Lutheran congregation named Trinity was several miles away; both with cemeteries. One outgrew its sanctuary and they made an agreement to swap churches. The only problem was they could not move the cemetery. Therefore, the earliest Methodists burials are in the Lutheran Cemetery and vice versa. Why do they pull these tricks on genealogists?

A talk for Hilton Head Island Genealogical Society meeting April 12, 2005 by David H. Witt, great great grandson of Rev. John David Weaver Crook.